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Spring Clean Up will be the week of April 12, 2021

All items MUST be curbside by April 12th at 6:00 a.m.
Only **ONE** collection sweep of the Township will be made
(There will be NO return trips)

Spring clean up is only for the collection of BRANCHES, STICKS and TWIGS. Only these items will be collected.

- All branches must be cut to 6 foot in length or smaller and be less than 6 inches in diameter
- Place in **neat 6 foot to 8 foot long piles** along the curb, please place piles **parallel to curb**
- Piles may be as **high as 4 feet**
- Any items placed in open barrels or bins will be collected and the receptacles will be left on the curb (Please note that small containers are more easily dumped as well as containers which are not packed tightly.)

Please **DO NOT include** root systems or sod of any kind.

Any unacceptable items will be left on the property and will be the owners' responsibility to discard.

Please keep piles away from obstructions such as poles, mailboxes, cars, etc. The Yard waste facility is available for those who miss the collection.

Our Highway Department appreciates your cooperation in this process! Thank you!

To purchase a **Yard Waste Access Card**, just stop by the Township Office any time during our regular office hours. The fee is \$45. The card is good for the calendar year.

Please contact the North Lebanon Township Office at 717-273-7132 for questions pertaining to any of the following:

- Oriveway Permits
- ♦ On-Lot Sewage Management Program
- ♦ Public Sewer Permits
- Park Pavilion Rentals
- Recycling Containers
- ♦ Street Excavation Permits
- ♦ Tree Dedications—We still have trees available
- Yard Waste Access Cards

Address Signs are available for ordering at the Township. The cost is \$20 per sign. Stop by the Township Office to obtain a copy of the order form. Payment is due at time of ordering.

For Solicitation Permits contact the North Lebanon Township Police Department at 717-273-8141.

For inquires regarding: Zoning Permits, Building/Demolition Permits, Right-of-Way Distances/Measurements and On-lot Sewage Permits – Please contact the Lebanon County Planning Department at 717-228-4444 for an appointment and directions if needed.

PA ONE CALL 811 or 1-800-242-1776 If you are going to dig, PLEASE call first. You may think you know where everything is located, however that may not always be the case. There is NO charge for this call and the number can be called 24 hours a day. Be smart, play it safe and call first!

Wastewater Rates

North Lebanon Township has over 60 miles of collection lines for conveyance of wastewater to the City of Lebanon Authority (CoLA). Our flows are then treated at the CoLA Treatment Plant.

There are two main portions of your sewer bill. The "usage" which represent the fees the North Lebanon Township Municipal Authority (NLTMA) must pay to CoLA for the treatment of the sewage and the "customer charge" which is our costs for the operation and maintenance (O & M) associated with the Township's collection/conveyance system.

CoLA sets the treatment rates (based on usage) that they charge NLTMA, who in turn pass this charge onto its customers. This rate is labeled as "usage" on your bill and reflects the gallons of water/sewer used for that particular billing cycle. **CoLA** has approved an increase effective April 1st for both its water and sewer rates which will affect our customers and your bills.

NLTMA was again able to keep our rates for 2021 for the Operation & Maintenance the same as last year, which will remain \$78.00/quarter. This is shown on your bill as "customer charge". NLTMA's quarterly fee has not increased since 2014.

You may notice a slight increase in your bill which reflects the new rates approved by the City of Lebanon Authority. If you have any questions on the increases, please contact CoLA directly at 717-272-2841.

An example of a household using 10,000 gallons/quarter would be:

at the current rates			at CoLA's new rate	
usage	\$ 72.12	(CoLA's fee)	usage	\$ 75.54
customer charge	\$ 78.00	(NLTMA's fee)	customer charge	\$ 78.00
for a total of	\$150.12		for a total of	\$153.54

This example indicates a \$3.42 increase for 10,000 gallons used due to CoLA's rate increase.

Sewer Billing Due Dates

Bills go out on the 10th of February, May, August and November. The due date is always 30 days after the bill date. Bills are due on March 10th, June 10th, September 10th and December 10th.

You should have already received your February sewer bill in the mail. The due date is Wednesday, March 10th. If you are paying in person you will need to be in our office by 4:00 pm on March 10th. Please note that your check must be in a cashable state (i.e. check must be signed, filled in correctly, and there must be sufficient funds in the account.) If any of these things are not correct, the penalty process will begin. You may also pay your bill online using the sewer payment portal located on our website's home page (www.northlebanontwppa.gov). Any payments made online must be paid by midnight on March 10th to be considered "on time".

Any incorrect deliveries of sewer bills is the responsibility of the Postal Service, not the Township. This also applies to undeliverable bills. If you haven't received your bill a few days after the mailing date (listed above), we suggest you call the Township Office (717-273-7132) for your balance to avoid any late charges or penalties. The staff is always willing to provide you any information you may need. It is the policy of the North Lebanon Township Municipal Authority to NOT waive penalties or late charges. Please be sure your payment is in our office by the close of business on the due date to avoid late charges and penalties.

You can also choose to have your sewer bill delivered via e-mail rather than through the Postal Service. If you would like to implement this free service, please contact Molly at the Township Office.

Clear Choices for Clean Runoff

As stormwater flows over driveways, lawns, and sidewalks, it picks up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants. Stormwater can flow into a storm sewer system or directly to a lake, stream, river, wetland, or coastal water. Anything that enters a storm sewer system is discharged untreated into the waterbodies we use for swimming, fishing, and providing drinking water. Polluted runoff is the nation's greatest threat to clean water.

By practicing healthy household habits, homeowners can keep common pollutants like pesticides, pet waste, grass clippings, and automotive fluids off the ground and out of stormwater. Adopt these healthy household habits and help protect lakes, streams, rivers, wetlands, and coastal waters. Remember to share these habits with your neighbors!

You can help by taking steps around the home to increase the amount of water that soaks into the ground. This reduces the amount of water flowing into the street. Here's how:

- ♦ Wash your car on the lawn (not the driveway), or take your car to a commercial car wash
- ◆Plant lots of trees, shrubs, and ground cover
- ◆Use a rain barrel to catch and store water for gardens
- ◆Redirect down spouts from paved areas to vegetated areas
- ◆Install gravel trenches along driveways and patios
- ◆Use porous materials (i.e. wooden planks and bricks) for walkways and patios
- ◆Grade driveway and walkways to direct water flow toward vegetated areas



Be the Solution to Runoff Pollution!

Article courtesy of Londonderry Twp., Dauphin County



Pet wastes left on the ground get carried away by storm water, contributing harmful bacteria, parasites and viruses to our water.



Chemicals used to grow and maintain beautiful lawns and gardens, if not used properly, can run off into the storm drain when it rains or when we water our lawns and gardens.



Vehicles drip fluids (oil, grease, gasoline, antifreeze, brake fluid, etc.) onto paved areas where storm water runoff carries them through our storm drains and into our water.

All of the pollutants storm water carries along the way empty into our waters. Storm water does not get treated, which is why it is very important to prevent such pollution!

PAVILION RENTALS

Are you planning a family reunion? What about a group picnic? North Lebanon has several pavilions available for rent to hold your event. We have playgrounds, walking paths, full service pavilions with kitchen amenities, open air pavilions and bathroom facilities. Please be reminded that <u>all pavilions</u> require a rental agreement with the Township.

Call the office to reserve your spot today at 717-273-7132.

TREE DEDICATION



Consider adopting a tree in memory of a loved one. We have trees available at Lenni Lenape and here at the Township Community Park. The cost is \$300 per tree.

Looking to promote your business? Benches and disc golf sponsorships are also available.



Brochures and information are available on our website as well as at the Township Office.

NEW POLICE OFFICERS HIRED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

As a result of the retirement of Detective David Lauver and Officer Bradley Pflueger, who accepted a police position in Kansas, the Board of Supervisors hired two new police officers.

We welcome to North Lebanon Township, Todd Ohlin, who began his employment on December 14, 2020 and Nicholas Gallese, who started his employment on January 4, 2021.

Both Officers are currently undergoing a field training program in the township. We wish both officers a rewarding and safe experience with North Lebanon Township.



VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

Cedar Crest students — We can offer opportunities for your "Project L.I.F.E."

Eagle Scouts & Youth Groups — Looking for a community project?

We can help! Consider choosing one of our parks for your project. We welcome all groups and volunteers.

VOLUNTEERS are appreciated & needed to help keep all of our parks beautiful!! Please contact the township office if you are interested in volunteering.



Congratulations to Ebenezer Fire Company on the purchase of a new fire engine!

On January 4th the Board of Supervisors recognized the following employees for years of service:

Police Chief Harold Easter 15 years



Rich Evans 35 years



If you know them, please help us in congratulating them! We appreciate their loyalty and dedication to North Lebanon Township.

SPRING/SUMMER PROJECTS

Spring brings warm weather and work crews. Please use caution while traveling and observe signs, flaggers, and workers on the roads.

This year's paving projects include:

- → Garden Avenue
- → Cedar Crest Drive
- → **N 11th Ave** (Garden Ave to City Line)
- → Suzanne Drive
- → Barbara Ann Drive
- \rightarrow Sally Ann Drive
- → E Canal St/Skyline Drive (horseshoe)
- → **N 7th Ave** (E Canal St to City Line)
- → Sun Drive



Some preliminary work will be done prior to the start of the paving. Expect delays, especially during peak travel times.

Stay alert and drive with caution. HELP keep our workers SAFE!

MOWING

Township ordinances prohibit the disposing of grass clippings in nearby storm water inlets, swales and basins. Also prohibited is blowing grass into the street. Grass that is blown into the street ultimately ends up in the storm sewers and pollutes our creeks and rivers. Any such activity is a violation of township ordinances and subject to fines and penalties.

Windy Days & Your Garbage

When the winds blow, most times so does your garbage and/or recycling containers. Per NLT Solid Waste Ordinance, "It shall be the responsibility of the owner or lessee of the real estate to keep all garbage, refuse, or other materials at all times within the receptacle, and such owner/lessee shall immediately clean up any such items that are outside the receptacles." Keep lids on tight and secure. Weigh them down if necessary. Garbage and recycling is your responsibility until it is collected by



your hauler. Please do not litter by leaving items blow into the street or onto neighboring properties!

Remember to Recycle



Be Earth Friendly: Participate in Earth Day & Great PA Cleanup

To learn more about Earth Day and the Great PA Cleanup and how to participate:

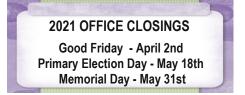
Earth Day – April 22 – <u>www.earthday.org</u>

Great PA Cleanup – March 1 to May 31 – www.gacofpa.org

"We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children." - Native American Proverb

NLT <u>ONLY</u> ACCEPTS: Cash, Check, or Money Orders.

NO DEBIT OR CREDIT CARDS will be accepted in the office!



Primary Election Day is May 18th.
Remember to get out and vote.





FIRE COMPANY NEWS

There are <u>4 VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES</u> working to keep NLT properties safe. Volunteer men and women firefighters are needed. Interested persons should contact any Fire Company member. If interested in Fire Police contact the NLT Police Dept.



EBENEZER FIRE CO. 717-273-2361 442 Ebenezer Rd.

Email: ebenezerfire9@gmail.com Website: www.ebenezerfire9.com

Our Signboard lists scheduled activities.

GLENN LEBANON FIRE CO. 717-865-3948 42 Glenn Lebanon Dr.

Website: www.glennlebanonfireco.com

RURAL SECURITY FIRE CO. 717-273-4472 1301 N. 7th Street

Reflective address signs may be ordered by phoning the Fire Co.

WEAVERTOWN FIRE CO. 717-228-2827 1528 Suzy Street

Bingo on hold for the foreseeable future.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our fire companies have been unable to hold most of their fundraising activities. Your monetary donations are more important now than ever before.